

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE TAX COURT)	NO. 2015-068
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WHEREAS, Maricopa County Superior Court Local Rule 1.2 authorizes the Presiding Judge to select Department Presiding Judges; and

WHEREAS, the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County has administrative supervision over the tax court pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-162; and

WHEREAS, Rule 92 of the Rules of the Supreme Court and Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 2005-32 authorizes the Presiding Judge to make judicial assignments;

IT IS ORDERED confirming the appointment of the Honorable Christopher T. Whitten as the Presiding Judge of the Tax Court to manage the day-to-day operations and provide administrative oversight over all cases and judges assigned to the Tax Court, and direct initial and continuing training for the Tax Court. In addition, the Tax Court Presiding Judge shall serve as the representative of the Superior Court in Maricopa County on any statutory or non-statutory committees related to the Tax Court as appointed by the Arizona Supreme Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED this Administrative Order replaces Administrative Order No. 2012-163.

Dated this 5th day of June, 2015.

/s/ Janet E. Barton

Janet E. Barton
Presiding Judge Designate

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

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